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E. E. CALVIN WILL SUCCEED BANCROFT

Salt Lake, May 3.—E. E. Calvin, vice president and general manager of the Oregon Short Line railroad, will undoubtedly be named to succeed the late W. H. Bancroft as vice president of the Salt Lake Route. Mr. Bancroft represented the Union Pacific and allied interests on the Salt Lake Route board of directors. The interests he represented control about one-half of the stock of the Salt Lake Route. The board of directors will meet next Tuesday at Los Angeles to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. Bancroft's death.

A special dispatch to the Tribune from Los Angeles last night stated that while the board of directors has as yet taken no action, the belief was freely expressed that Mr. Calvin would be the selection. J. Ross Clark, vice president of the Salt Lake Route, when seen at his Los Angeles home yesterday said:

"I do not care to state officially at this time whether Mr. Calvin will be the successor of Mr. Bancroft. However, it is more than likely that he will be the man."

Mr. Calvin is at present in the southern states on a business trip, and could not be reached last night.

BIG GERMAN GUN CARRIES SHELLS NEARLY 24 MILES

Paris, May 2.—Bombardment of Dunkirk was carried out by a specially mounted naval gun at a distance of nearly twenty-four miles, according to an official statement issued by the war office this afternoon. The gun was mounted near Dixmude. The communication follows:

A German deserter has reported that for nearly two months engineers from the Krupp works have been installing in the neighborhood of Dixmude, a section in which no fighting has occurred for several months, a naval gun capable of firing at long range. This gun, he said, bombarded Dunkirk, firing at a range of about thirty-eight kilometers. Nine shells only were fired during the second and last bombardment. There is reason to believe that the cannon was damaged, as this kind of fire is such that the most powerful cannon cannot resist for long; or else the continuous flights of French airplanes in this region have resulted in the discontinuance of the firing.

Yesterday we bombarded one of the fortresses in the southern front of the entrenched camp at Metz.

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FRUIT CROP IS NOT GREATLY DAMAGED BY THE FROST

Indications were last night that the amount of damage done to Utah fruit crops by the frosts of the past few days is not as great as was at first estimated. Unusual weather conditions make it almost impossible to approximate the amount of damage done. It will probably be two or three days after the cold spell abates before an accurate estimate of the amount of damage can be made.

In Boxelder county, the banner fruit section of the state, reports agree that the great fruit crop is untouched by the wintry blasts that have surprised the state during the last few days. Horticultural experts of Boxelder county are quoted as saying that there is little likelihood of any loss to the crop from frost this spring.

It seems that a heavy snowfall has protected the budding fruit from loss by frost. Unless later unexpected cold spells come it is believed that an unusually large crop of fruit will be gathered this fall.

Horticultural Inspector Carl Isaacson of Boxelder county yesterday visited the fruit-growing sections of the county yesterday, and on his return to Brigham City reported that there were no indications of damage by frost, and expressed his opinion that there appeared to be no further danger from frost this year.

Prospects for a great harvest of fruit of several varieties in Boxelder county were never better than now. Until the recent cold snap, weather conditions were ideal, and it is probable that the cold spell caused no material damage. The farmers and orchardists are both anticipating a good crop, particularly of strawberries and peaches. Every indication points to a heavy yield. The cherry crop is also promising.

The fruitgrowers of Utah county, where the crop last year amounted to \$655,000, are divided as to the amount of damage done by the frost. There was more or less snow on Friday and Saturday, and the trees and blossoms were covered with snow. Some contend that the damage is greater than no snow, while others hold the opposite view.

In some sections the damage is estimated at 25 per cent, which really means no damage, as the thinning of one-fourth of the blossoms is regarded as a benefit, rather than a detriment. The heaviest loss will undoubtedly be to the sweet cherries, apricots, pears and plums. The loss to the peaches and apples on the Provo bench is variously estimated at from 50 to 75 per cent.

Conflicting reports come from Sanpete county. The normal fruit crop of Sanpete county is not large, only about enough for home consumption being grown. In some districts reports are that the fruit crop is almost totally destroyed, while in other sections the damage appears to have been only slight. The temperature dropped as low as 18 degrees above zero and during the past two days did not go higher than 45 degrees. The frost appears to have been general in the vicinity of Mantle.

There was practically no damage to the fruit crops of Cache county, though a heavy snow was general throughout the county during the past two days. Orchardists feared that a continuation of the cold spell would destroy the apple crop.

Little, if any, damage was done to the fruit crops in Weber county. Some limbs were broken off by the heavy weight of snow, but overcast skies prevented frost. This damage was not general, however, for the wind, in a great measure, kept the trees free from the falling flakes of snow. A rising temperature was reported last night.

BELGIANS SLAY GERMAN FORCES

Paris, May 2.—The total German dead in the recent battle of Ypres is unofficially placed at 40,000.

The thirteenth century cloth hall at Ypres is now completely destroyed and is only a heap of ruins as a result of the German bombardment. St. Martin cathedral, with its old square tower, has collapsed.

Semi-official accounts of the fighting of the Belgians at Ypres show that the tactics of General De Courcelle, commanding King Albert's troops between Yperlee and Loge marck, were brilliant and proved enormously costly to the Germans. He concealed machine guns of the grenadier and caracine regiments in trenches near the Yperlee stream, supported by a grenadier battalion under Major Borremans.

Not suspecting a trap, huge waves of Germans swept toward Yperlee until, at a range of 150 yards, the Belgian machine guns began to belch death.

The German formation and the onward thrust of their rear guard prevented the oncoming enemy from halting or retreating and very soon the ground for 100 yards around was carpeted with dead.

As soon as the German rear guard faced about the remnant of the vanguard fled panic-stricken from the blood-soaked battlefield to their covering trenches, abandoning thousands of dead and dying.

So complete was the surprise that the Germans were unable to inflict any serious losses on the victorious Belgians, who counted but a few dead and but 400 wounded among their ranks.

General Foch afterward complimented General De Courcelle in the most flattering terms.

REPORT BUSINESS IN THE EAST GOOD

Salt Lake, May 3.—Marked improvement in business conditions in the east is noted by C. E. Groesbeck, general manager of the Utah Power & Light company, who returned yesterday to Salt Lake after a month's stay in New York.

Mr. Groesbeck declares that evidence

of returning prosperity are everywhere to be found in the east and predicts that this wave of prosperity will soon reach the west. While this improvement in business conditions is in a measure due to the demands for supplies incident to the prosecution of the war, Mr. Groesbeck believes that there is every indication that this prosperous condition is tending to every line of industry.

The merger of the Idaho power companies, Mr. Groesbeck says, does not in any way involve the interests of the Utah Power & Light company. This company owns extensively power interests in southern Idaho, but these interests, Mr. Groesbeck says, are in no way connected with those of the Idaho merger.

I. N. FULTON IS HELD UP AND ROBBED

I. N. Fulton, joint-proprietor of the Fulton pharmacy at 201 Twenty-fifth street, was held up and robbed at the pharmacy late Saturday night. The robber secured \$18 from the cash register, 25 cents and a gold watch and chain from Mr. Fulton, and a quantity of laudanum and morphine, and then made his escape.

Mr. Fulton was preparing to close the store for the night when a man entered doubled up as though in pain. The drugist walked toward him and in the space of a few seconds faced a revolver and was met with a demand to know where the "dope" was kept. He endeavored to parley with the holdup, but was quickly told to "quit your stalling or I'll blow your

out." That ended the parley and the robber soon secured the drugs and money mentioned.

The police were notified of the hold-up as soon as the robber left the store, but were unable to locate the man.

GERMAN SHIPS SENT TO BOTTOM

London, May 2, 2:10 p. m.—The British admiralty stated this evening that two German torpedo boats had been sunk in the North Sea. The British torpedo boat destroyer Recruit also was sunk.

The text of the admiralty statement follows: "A series of small affairs took place in the neighborhood of the Galopier and North Hinder lightships on Saturday."

"During the forenoon H. M. Destroyer Recruit was sunk by a submarine, four officers and twenty-one men being saved by the trawler Daisy."

"At 3 p. m. the trawler Colombia was attacked by the German torpedo boats which approached her from the westward, and commenced an action without hoisting their colors. The Colombia was sunk by a torpedo, only one deckhand being saved by the other trawlers."

"A division of British destroyers, comprising the Laforey, Leonidas, Lawford and Larwood, chased two German vessels, and after a brief running fight of about one hour sank them both."

"The British destroyers sustained no casualties."

"Two German officers and forty-four men were rescued from the sea and made prisoners of war."

"On Patrol Duty."

The destroyer Recruit was on patrol duty Saturday morning when the submarine sank her. According to details received here, she was struck amidships by the torpedo and began to sink. The wounded vessel signaled for assistance and her call was answered by the trawler Daisy, and thirty men out of her complement of sixty-five were saved.

It is stated that a torpedo was fired at the Daisy, which was forced to leave one of her rescue boats behind and that the submarine chased this boat and fired her gun at it, wounding four men.

AMERICAN SHIP SUNK BY GERMAN

Three Deaths Result and Serious Trouble With Germany May Follow.

London, May 2.—The American oil tank steamship Gulfight was torpedoed off Bishop's lighthouse, Scilly islands, at noon on Saturday by a German submarine. The vessel was badly damaged and the crew was landed at Scilly by a patrol boat.

Of the crew of thirty-three, three were saved. Two jumped overboard and were drowned, and the captain later died of heart failure as a result of the shock.

The vessel was picked up by steam drifters, which towed it into Crow sound, where it was beached.

The Gulfight was laden with naphtha from Port Arthur to Rouen.

The French steamer Europe also was torpedoed by a submarine and sunk off the Scilly islands. The submarine ordered the crew to take to the boats and then fired several shells into the ship. The steamer did not sink from the effects of these, so the submarine launched a torpedo which sent her to the bottom. The crew of the Europe was picked up by a fishing smack and landed in Cornwall, England. The Europe was bound from Barry to St. Lazaire with coal.

British Vessel Sunk.

The British steamer Fulk was sunk off Skelling rocks, southwest of County Kerry, Ireland, in the dark Sunday morning, also by a German submarine. The master was shot and killed and his body taken into one of the boats. Later the boat was picked up by a trawler and its occupants landed at Kilrush. It is feared the remainder of the crew, who occupied a second boat which has not been found, have been lost. The Fulk was of 1202 tons, owned by J. Westell of Sunderland.

Carried Contraband.

The Greek steamer Fotis, from Galveston and Norfolk for Rotterdam, has been taken into Blyth England by a British prize crew. It is alleged she carried a cargo of contraband believed to be destined for Germany.

The Gulfight was a steel vessel of 3202 tons, 383 feet long, 51-foot beam and 32 feet deep. It gives two steamships under the name of Europe, both French owners. One is a twin screw steamer of 4768 tons, 369 feet long and 46-foot beam, registered at Havre. The other is of 2026 tons, single screw, register at Oran.

DESTRUCTION OF GULFIGHT MAY CAUSE TROUBLE

New York, May 2.—"If it is so that a German submarine, or, for that matter, any submarine, has torpedoed the steamer Gulfight, as is reported, the United States faces the most serious situation since the war began," declared Frederic B. Coulter, the noted authority on international law, today.

"I am not prepared to predict the outcome of the affair. I must know the details. But it must be remembered that this government took a very decided stand upon the subject of the destruction of American life and property."

"If, as I now hear, the Gulfight was torpedoed while flying the American flag and on her way to a neutral port, and that three lives were lost, I can only repeat that the most critical situation that this country has known exists."

"If the steamship struck a mine, there still remain the chances of international complications of the gravest sort, especially if life were destroyed. But if it was a mine, there remains the possible excuse of carelessness on the part of the vessel, or that the mine was of the sort that did not violate the international code."

"The American government let all the belligerent nations know that we would hold any of them responsible who destroyed American property or life. I am not in position to predict the government's action, but it is not likely that it will recede from its original position."

CANADIANS LOST 6,000 IN FIGHT

Ottawa, Canada, May 2.—Casualties among the Canadian contingent in the fighting at Ypres are now reported to have been nearly 6,000. Of these 2,000 are reported missing, the missing being chiefly the Thirteenth and Fourteenth battalions of Montreal Highlanders, each 1,000 strong.

It is stated that 700 officers and men were killed and 3,000 wounded. The totals thus given would indicate that more than one-fourth of the 21,000 men in the division were killed or wounded. The Canadian official eyewitnesses reported that two battalions of Highlanders were left behind in the fighting at St. Julien.

into thousands of dollars. At Sturtevant, Mo., a boy was killed by lightning.

In St. Louis the streets were flooded in places by several feet of water.

JAPAN TO CONSIDER CHINA'S REFUSAL

Tokio, May 2, 11:30 a. m.—An extraordinary cabinet council met here this morning to consider China's refusal to accede completely to the demands of Japan.

YAMPA CABLE PARTS AND KILLS AUSTRIAN

Bingham, May 2.—At 11:30 o'clock today a cable on one of the buckets in the Yampa mine parted and instantly killed Steve Svetch, whose head and side were badly crushed. He was about 37 years of age and leaves a wife and one son in Austria.

At the same time Tony Svetch, a cousin, was injured, probably fatally. His side was badly crushed. He was rushed to St. Mark's hospital at Salt Lake.

Tony Svetch, who was injured in an accident at the Yampa mine in Bingham canyon Sunday morning died at St. Mark's hospital last night at 11:35 o'clock. Steve Svetch, cousin of Tony, was killed in the same accident when a hoist cable broke.

ENGINEERS GIVEN SMALL INCREASE

Congress to Investigate the Naming of Nagel on Arbitration Board.

Chicago, May 3.—The Brotherhoods of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen after analyzing the arbitration award for three days, today issued a statement in support of their contention that the wage advances granted were very small.

The increases aggregate, according to their figures, \$820,498 a year. The figures are for wages alone and do not include the value of compensatory rules or overtime allowances granted. The railroads contended throughout the case that to grant every demand made by the men would cost the ninety-eight western railroads involved \$40,000,000 a year. The men say that the cost would not run over \$10,000,000 a year.

The award is said to affect engineers on only 5,767 locomotives out of 23,812 in service. The advances to the engineers total \$311,111.46, according to the brotherhoods. Firemen on 7,005 locomotives out of 23,661 in service, receive a total increase of \$509,386.70, it is calculated by the brotherhoods.

Managers of the railroads assert that the cost of the award will be known only after the rules have been put into effect and the payrolls can be analyzed.

Chairmen of the brotherhoods, with their grand officers, were in executive session here today. It was stated that an investigation by congress into the appointment of Charles Nagel, former secretary of commerce and labor, as a neutral member of the board of arbitration, would be requested.

WARNING SENT TO AMERICANS

Washington, May 2.—In an official notice published by the German embassy in many important cities of the United States this morning, Americans were given warning that travel on ships flying the flags of Germany's enemies was at their own risk.

While the notice was regarded among officials and diplomats here as nothing more than a reiteration of Germany's first warning given when the war zone about the British Isles

LEVI P. MORTON TO CELEBRATE 91ST BIRTHDAY MAY 15



New photo of Levi P. Morton.

Levi P. Morton, vice president of the United States from 1889 to 1893, former member of congress and one time governor of New York, ex-ambassador to France and founder of the great banking interests that still bear his name, is now at his Washington home and on the 15th of May will celebrate his 91st birthday. Despite his advanced years Mr. Morton is still quite active and is a familiar figure in Washington.

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PITTSBURG EDITOR DIES SUDDENLY

Pittsburg, Pa., May 3.—James Fairchild Hudson, for 33 years the principal editorial writer of the Pittsburg Dispatch and the author of a number of works on economic subjects, died suddenly of heart disease at his home in Benavon, a suburb yesterday. He was 69 years old.

GASES ONCE MORE ARE EMPLOYED

Paris, May 2, 10:33 p. m.—The following official communication was issued by the war office tonight: "In Belgium to the north of Ypres the Germans attempted an attack on our right, but were immediately checked by our machine guns."

"Nothing new has occurred on the British front."

"At Morcourt, to the south of Chaumes, an attack in which about eighty men engaged, was directed against our lines. The Germans were armed with wire cutters, grenades, automatic pistols and knives. They were almost all cut down by our infantry; several of them were taken prisoner."

In the valley of the Aisne and in Champagne the enemy employed during the course of the day divers devices which, however, were without effect. Near Tracy Le Mont they used glass tubes which threw off, in breaking, the odor of ether; between Rheims and the Argonne bombs charged with inflammable materials were thrown and finally, gases emitting a greenish smoke, rose over the lines of the enemy without reaching ours."

TWO MEN ARE KILLED IN TERRIFIC STORM

Sioux City, Iowa, May 2.—Two men are dead and thousands of dollars' worth of property lost in a storm that swept this section today. James Dunne, 27 years of age, of Parker, S. D., was killed by a Northwestern train as he was crossing the tracks in a blinding rain, and Lars Friese, 71 years of age, for forty years a resident of this county, was drowned in a creek near Bronson, made a torrent by the heavy rains. Fruit trees were stripped of small limbs and blossoms, and heavy losses resulted. Plate glass windows in Sioux City and surrounding towns were broken, with hundreds of dollars damage.

WILSON GODFATHER OF ONLY GRANDSON

Williamson, Mass., May 2.—President Wilson became a godfather of his only grandson here today and added to his duties by promising to safeguard the child.

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